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1. RECOGNIZING VALUE OF COORDINATING VIEWS, THE US HAS PROPOSED, AND THE COMMISSION AND THE ITALIAN PRESIDENCY HAVE AGREED, TO CONSULT ON ASSISTANCE TO PORTUGAL. NOW THAT BOTH THE EC AND THE US HAVE ANNOUNCED PORTUGUESE AID PACKAGES, WE WOULD LIKE TO PROCEED TOWARD WHAT WE FORESEE LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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WILL BE A SERIES OF PERIODIC CONSULTATIONS.

- 2. WITH THIS IN MIND, WE HAVE PREPARED A PRELIMINARY ASSESSMENT OF THE PORTUGUESE ECONOMIC OUTLOOK AND POSSIBLE AREAS OF COOPERATION FOR THE BACKGROUND USE OF ACTION ADDRESSEES IN THEIR DISCUSSIONS WITH THE COMMISSION AND ITALIANS. AN INFORMAL PAPER, IT IS NOT AN ATTEMPT TO IDENTIFY SPECIFIC PROJECTS BUT RATHER THE GENERAL NATURE OF PORTUGAL'S ASSISTANCE NEEDS. IN THIS CONNECTION, WE BELIEVE EC COMMISSION VIEWS ON NEXT STEPS FOR PORTUGAL (EC BRUSSELS 9143) ARE CONSISTENT WITH OUR PRELIMINARY ASSESSMENT AND NOTE THAT STUDY GROUP FROM COMMISSION AND EIB IS PRESENTLY IN PORTUGAL.
- 3. BACKGROUND PAPER WILL BE GIVEN TO ECONOMIC COUNSELORS OF
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